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SUBJ: STOLEN DIPLOMATIC LICENSE PLATES USED IN BANK ROBBERY

1. FEW MINUTES AFTER 9:00 AM ON MAY 2, 1975, FOUR MEN DROVE UP TO JAMAICA SAVINGS BANK IN QUEENS IN GREEN, LATE MODEL FORD BEARING DPL LICENSE PLATES 886 DPL. THEY DOUBLED PARKED, WALKED INTO BANK, HELD UP BANK MANAGER, HELPED THEMSELVES TO ABOUT \$7,000.00 AND FLED.

2. CHECK OF LICENSE PLATE REVEALED PLATES BELONGED TO NIKOLAI ALENOCHKIN, FIRST SECRETARY OF SMUN. PHONE CALLS WERE MADE TO SMUN BY USUN TO ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS OF ALENOCHKIN AND HIS CAR. BECAUSE IT WAS MAY DAY, A SOVIET HOLIDAY, SMUN STAFF MEMBERS HAD DAY OFF, AND SOVIETS WERE UNABLE TO LOCATE ALENOCHKIN.

3. PRESS GOT WIND OF INCIDENT AND REPORTS WERE MADE HOURLY ON RADIO. AMBASSADOR SAFRONCHUK PHONED USUN TO INFORM THAT SINCE ALENOCHKIN COULD NOT BE LOCATED, AMBASSADOR MALIK WAS CONCERNED OVER HIS SAFETY. WE ASSURED HIM THAT POLICE AND FBI WERE DOING ALL POSSIBLE TO APPREHEND BANK ROBBERS.

4. LATER IN EVENING, WHEN ALENOCHKIN RETURNED FROM SHOPPING TRIP IN CITY HE CLAIMED THAT BOTH OF HIS LICENSE PLATES HAD UNCLASSIFIED

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BEEN STOLEN. WE ASSUME HIS PLATES HAD BEEN STOLEN DURING

PREVIOUS NIGHT BY BANK ROBBERS.

5. GETAWAY CAR WAS LAST SEEN ON NINTH
AVENUE NEAR LINCOLN TUNNEL. IT HAS NOT BEEN SEEN SINCE.

6. ARTICLES ON INCIDENT HAVE APPEARED IN ALL NEW YORK
CITY NEWSPAPERS. HEADLINE IN NEW YORK NEWS READS "DIPLO-
PLATED GUYS DIP INTO BANK, GET 7G".
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